

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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Page 13, lines 16-20, please amend as follows:

~~FIG. 6 FIGS. 6(A) -6(c) are includes explanatory views, each respectively showing steps~~  
~~a step of introducing blood into the blood analysis apparatus of FIG. 5, a step of separating the~~  
~~blood into plasma and blood cell fractions, and thereafter a step of feeding the plasma fraction~~  
~~into analysis means;~~

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Page 14, lines 5-24, please amend as follows:

~~FIG. 9 shows FIGS. 9 (A) and 9(B) respectively show a schematic diagram of the blood~~  
~~analysis apparatus of the present invention for use in a second example, and an explanatory view~~  
~~of a state after introducing the blood into the apparatus to perform the centrifugal separation;~~

~~FIG. 10 shows FIGS. 10(A) and 10(B) respectively show a schematic diagram of the~~  
~~blood analysis apparatus of the present invention for use in a third example, and an explanatory~~  
~~view of a state after introducing the blood into the apparatus to perform the centrifugal~~  
~~separation;~~

~~FIG. 11 shows FIGS. 11(A) and 11(B) respectively show a schematic diagram of the~~  
~~blood analysis apparatus of the present invention for use in a fourth example, and an explanatory~~  
~~view of a state after introducing the blood into the apparatus to perform the centrifugal~~  
~~separation; and~~

~~FIG. 12 shows FIGS. 12(A) and 12(B) respectively show a schematic diagram of the~~  
~~blood analysis apparatus of the present invention for use in a fifth example, and an explanatory~~  
~~view of a state after separating the plasma from the blood by a plasma separation method of the~~  
~~present invention.~~